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RMKS/1. THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH THE COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS. THE COMMANDANT HAS AUTHORIZED TRANSMISSION TO MARINE CORPS ACTIVITIES.

2. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES GUIDANCE ON ADMINISTRATION OF INJECTABLE

(FLUZONE) AND INTRANASAL (FLUMIST) INFLUENZA VACCINE TO MILITARY AND CIVILIAN BENEFICIARIES.

- 3. MTF COMMANDERS SHOULD RAPIDLY DEPLETE VACCINE STOCKS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAGPHS 4, 5 AND 6 BELOW.
- 4. UPON RECEIPT OF INFLUENZA VACCINE, MTFS WILL ADMINISTER VACCINE IAW THE FOLLOWING PRIORITY:

A. OPERATIONAL MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF A COMBATANT COMMAND OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT (E.G. SOUTHWEST ASIA, AFGHANISTAN, KOREA, EASTERN EUROPE) OR WHO HAVE ORDERS TO DEPLOY TO THESE LOCATIONS.

- B. MEDICALLY HIGH-RISK PEOPLE & HEALTHCARE WORKERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CDC RECOMMENDATIONS (HTTP://WWW.CDC.GOV/MMWR/PREVIEW/MMWRHTML/RR5510A1.HTM). MTFS WILL REMAIN ALERT FOR UPDATED GUIDANCE FROM THE CDC. C. BASIC AND ADVANCED TRAINEES, OFFICER TRAINEES, MIDSHIPMAN AND THE FULL-TIME MILITARY TRAINING CADRE OF THESE PERSONNEL. D. ALL OTHER MILITARY PERSONNEL.
- E. ALL OTHER MISSION-ESSENTIAL OR MISSION-CRITICAL DOD CIVILIAN AND CONTRACT WORKERS.
- F. ALL OTHER BENEFICIARIES.
- 5. FLUMIST COMPRISES A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE NAVY INFLUENZA VACCINE SUPPLY AND WILL BE ADMINISTERED IAW THE FOLLOWING

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- A. ALL HEALTHY ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL AGED 49 AND UNDER WILL RECEIVE FLUMIST IF AVAILABLE. IF FLUMIST IS UNAVAILABLE, THE SERVICE MEMBER WILL RECEIVE THE INJECTABLE INFLUENZA VACCINE. B. CIVILIAN BENEFICIARIES WHO MEET THE AGE AND HEALTH REQUIREMENTS MAY RECEIVE FLUMIST.
- C. FLUMIST MAY BE ADMINISTERED CONCURRENTLY WITH OTHER VACCINES.
- D. SERVICE MEMBERS IN AN ACTIVE FLYING STATUS MAY RECEIVE FLUMIST.
- SELF LIMITED EFFECTS FOLLOWING FLUMIST IMMUNIZATION INCLUDE MINOR COLD LIKE SYMPTOMS. PERSONNEL IN AN ACTIVE DUTY FLYING STATUS WILL OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES WHEN USING FLUMIST: (1) A SELF-CANCELING GROUNDING PERIOD OF 72 HOURS AFTER IMMUNIZATION IS REQUIRED TO ASSESS FOR SYMPTOM SEVERITY. COMMANDING OFFICERS MAY RETURN AERONAUTICALLY DESIGNATED PERSONNEL TO DUTY INVOLVING FLIGHT OPERATIONS IN LESS THAN 72 HOURS ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF A FLIGHT SURGEON WHEN NECESSARY TO MEET REAL WORLD OPERATIONAL COMMITMENTS.
- THE PRESENCE AND SEVERITY OF SYMPTOMS MAY REQUIRE THE GROUNDING OF SOME PERSONNEL FOR GREATER THAN 72 HOURS. (2) TO MINIMIZE OPERATIONAL IMPACT, COMMANDS MAY ELECT TO STAGGER THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE VACCINE TO THEIR PERSONNEL. FOR EXAMPLE, A COMMAND MIGHT ELECT TO VACCINATE 50% OF ELIGIBLE PERSONNEL ONE WEEK AND THE REMAINING PERSONNEL THE FOLLOWING WEEK. ANOTHER OPTION WOULD BE TO SCHEDULE IMMUNIZATIONS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO A PERIOD WHEN NO FLIGHTS ARE SCHEDULED (E.G., JUST PRIOR TO A HOLIDAY WEEKEND). E. SERVICE MEMBERS IN AN ACTIVE DIVING STATUS WILL ONLY RECEIVE THE INJECTABLE VACCINE.

- 6. MTF COMMANDERS MAY OPEN INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION TO ALL ELIGIBLE BENEFICIARIES DEPENDING UPON THE AVAILABILITY OF INFLUENZA VACCINE AND LOCAL CONDITIONS.
- 7. MTFS MUST PROVIDE A VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENT (VIS) TO EACH VACINEE. CDC PUBLISHES A SEPARATE VIS FOR THE FLUZONE AND FLUMIST VACCINES.
- 8. PREGNANCY AND BREAST-FEEDING: FLUMIST IS A LIVE, ATTENUATED INFLUENZA VACCINE AND IS CONTRAINDICATED FOR PREGNANT WOMEN. HOWEVER, PREGNANT WOMEN SHOULD PROMPTLY RECEIVE THE INJECTABLE INFLUENZA VACCINE AT ANY TIME DURING THEIR PREGNANCY.
- 9. ACCURATE RECORDS MUST BE KEPT OF VACCINE USAGE AND SUBMITTED TO NAVMEDLOGCOM TO FACILITATE PROJECTION OF VACCINE REQUIREMENT FOR THE
- 2007-2008 INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM.
- 10. RECORD KEEPING: VACCINATION OF MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL BE RECORDED IN AN ELECTRONIC RECORD KEEPING SYSTEM THAT SUBMITS THE DATA TO DEERS. WHEN RECORDING FLUMIST IMMUNIZATION IN SAMS 8.03.01, CHOOSE INFLUENZA, NOS FOR THE IMMUNIZATION NAME AND CHOOSE NASAL FOR THE ROUTE OF ADMINISTRATION. ALL OTHER BLOCKS WILL BE FILLED OUT AS PREVIOUSLY DIRECTED.
- 11. MAXIMIZE MARKETING EFFORTS TO REACH AND VACCINATE MEDICALLY HIGH-RISK AND OTHER UNVACCINATED MILITARY AND CIVILIAN BENEFICIARIES.
- 12. COORDINATE ORDERS FOR ADDITIONAL FLUMIST OR FLUZONE VACCINE THROUGH NAVMEDLOGCOM.
- 13. POC FOR THIS MESSAGE IS LCDR THOMAS LUKE, EMAIL: TCLUKE@US.MED.NAVY.MIL.
- 14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RESOURCES:
- A. NAVY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH CENTER (WWW-NEHC.MED.NAVY.MIL) (757)953-0700, DSN 377-0700, AFTER HOURS (757)621-1967.
- B. NAVY ENVIRONMENTAL AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE UNIT TWO (757)444-7671, DSN 564-7671, NEPMU2@NEPMU2.MED.NAVY.MIL.
- C. NAVY ENVIRONMENTAL AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE UNIT FIVE (619)556-7070, DSN 526-7070, NEPMU5@NEPMU5.MED.NAVY.MIL.
- D. NAVY ENVIRONMENTAL AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE UNIT SIX (808)473-0555, DSN 473-0555, NEPMU6@NEPMU6.MED.NAVY.MIL.
- E. DIRECTOR, AEROSPACE MEDICINE, BUMED (202) 762-3453, CRARMSRTONG@US.MED.NAVY.MIL.
- F. MILVAX AGENCY WEBSITE, HTTP://WWW.VACCINES.MIL. BT

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